

REMARKS

The undersigned was contacted by the Examiner on April 5, 2004 and asked to update the list of cross referenced applications in the first paragraph of the specification. Such an amendment is submitted above.

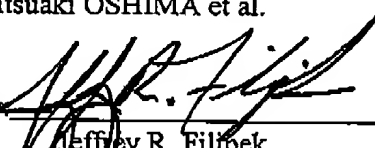
The Examiner also asked for a statement regarding the surrender of U.S. Patent No. 5,600,672. The present application is a reissue of Patent No. 5,600,672, and is also a divisional application of reissue application 09/244,037, which is also a reissue application of Patent No. 5,600,672. U.S. Patent No. 5,600,672 was surrendered in reissue application 09/244,037 on July 18, 2001.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone to resolve any remaining issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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